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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a new patent application for: "Method for the Detection, Identification, Enumeration and Confirmation of Virally Infected Cells and Other Epitopically Defined Cells in Whole Blood" by David L. Rimm et al. The application consists of an 11 page specification, 5 pages of claims, 2 drawing sheets and an abstract page. An executed declaration is enclosed.

The inventors are David L. Rimm, Paul Fiedler, Robert A. Levine and Stephen C. Wardlaw. The inventors are independent inventor small entities.

A check in the amount of \$454.00 in payment of the filing fee is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted.

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